

# Burr Ridge riefs

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### **Village Center Construction Gaining Momentum**

Construction of the Village Center is gaining momentum and should be underway this summer with a grand opening planned for the Fall/Winter of 2007. A condominium sales trailer is being erected on the site and sales should begin in late spring or early summer. Anyone interested can visit the developer's web site, <a href="https://www.BurrRidgeVillageCenter.com">www.BurrRidgeVillageCenter.com</a>, for more information about residential sales.

Phase 2 of the project, currently under review by the Village Board, includes the final two buildings of the project and some minor revisions to the previously approved site plan. The Board tentatively approved Phase 2 pending resolution of specific details. The Village Center is a mixed use

"downtown" district featuring an open air shopping experience characterized by upscale retail and restaurants along a main street. The project will include 191,000 square feet of retail space, 25,000 square feet of restaurants, 33,000 square feet of office space and 179 condominium units in seven buildings. More information is also available at the Village Hall or at <a href="https://www.burr-ridge.gov">www.burr-ridge.gov</a>.



## **Special Census Workers Needed for a Job That Counts**

The Village of Burr Ridge seeks qualified individuals to act as Special Census workers beginning in June, 2006. Census positions pay \$14.50 per hour. Hiring preference will be given to early applicants and Burr Ridge residents. Applications are available at the Village Hall Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM. They can also be downloaded from the Village web site by visiting <a href="www.burr-ridge.gov">www.burr-ridge.gov</a>. Click on "Special Census" or go to the Census Bureau web site (<a href="www.census.gov">www.census.gov</a>). The Special Census is expected to begin in June and last approximately two to four weeks. It is expected that all employees work a minimum of 20 hours each week. For more information about application requirements, please contact Lisa Scheiner at 654-8181, ext. 105 or Ischeiner@burr-ridge.gov.

## **Be Vigilant! Police Need Residents Help to Prevent Burglaries**

The Police Department is investigating burglaries in the Village and they need help from the residents. Burglars are entering homes through open garage doors and unlocked exterior doors. Keep yourself from falling victim to this crime by following these simple steps: Close and lock exterior, garage and car doors, even when someone is home. Activate security systems. Ensure the alarm system is working properly and activate it when you leave, even for a short time. Do not store extra keys outside the house under door mats, in flower pots, etc. Do not leave valuable items in plain sight of open doors and windows or in your car. Residents who observe suspicious activity, persons or vehicles in their neighborhood should dial 9-1-1 <a href="immediately!">immediately!</a> You may think it's nothing - let the police decide! Remember that the police are here to protect residents, homes and businesses and following up on your call is no bother. When it is dark outside, be sure to turn on outside lighting, especially in the back yard. Have your home evaluated by the Police Department. Call 323-8181 to schedule a safety check today. Officers can suggest ways to make your home more secure.

#### **News In Brief**

#### **Spring Brush Chipping Program Begins in April**

The residential brush chipping program will begin Monday, April 17th, north of 79th Street and Monday, April 24th, south of 79th Street. Branches must NOT be placed in the parkway until three weekends before the chipping program begins for your area. Branches must be in the parkway by NO LATER THAN 7:00 a.m. on the first day of pickup for your area. Please remember that:

- ◆Brush chipping at each property will be limited to two hours. There will be a \$50 per hour charge where chipping takes more than 2 hours. A branch pile not exceeding 200 feet long, 12 feet wide and 5 feet high (or 12,000 feet in cubic size) can be chipped in two hours.
- ◆Only branches will be accepted. Branches must not exceed 4 inches in diameter.
- •Branches must be stacked neatly on the parkway with all stem/butt ends toward the street.
- ◆Branches must not be tied with string, wire, etc. Branches must be free of wire, staples, nails or metal of any kind.
- ♦No branches removed by contractors will be accepted. The program is intended to assist residents who perform their own work.

#### **2nd Annual Public Works Open House Announced**

Sit in the driver's seat at the Burr Ridge Public Works Department's second annual open house on Saturday, May 20 from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Public Works facility, located at 451 Commerce Street. Take a tour of the recently renovated Public Works facility and learn more about the services the Department provides. Residents will be invited to participate in various demonstrations. Afterward, enjoy free hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, a moon walk, magician, balloons, give-aways, trucks and a variety of demonstrations.

#### **Voter Registration Information**

The deadline to register for the March 21st primary has passed, however, voters have until October 10, 2006 to register for the November general election. DuPage County residents can check registration status online by visiting <a href="www.dupageelections.com">www.dupageelections.com</a>. Cook County residents can go to <a href="www.voterinfonet.com">www.voterinfonet.com</a>.

#### **Changes Made to Subsidized Taxi Program**

DuPage County recently announced that American Taxi will no longer be accepting coupons for payment. The participating companies are AAA Universal, Alef Cab Company and 303 Transportation. Registration for permanently disabled Burr Ridge residents or residents 60 years of age or older can be arranged by contacting Village Clerk Karen Thomas at 654-8181, extension 101.

Please Note: Case Drive was renamed Veterans Boulevard

#### **50th Anniversary Committee Plans Celebrations**

On October 20, 1956 a group of local residents met in a neighbor's garage and voted to incorporate into a village. To commemorate our founding, the Village of Burr Ridge and its many residents will celebrate its 50th Anniversary throughout the coming year. The 50th Anniversary Committee invites all residents to a kick-off cocktail party at the Five Seasons Country Club on Friday, May 19th, from



7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. More information is available on the enclosed invitation. The Committee would like to take this commemorative occasion to raise \$50,000 towards the construction cost of the Burr Ridge Veterans' Memorial by using proceeds from the various events, including the cocktail party.

#### 83rd Street Reconstruction to Begin in March

The reconstruction of 83rd Street between County Line Road and Fars Cove will begin in March. Residents may recall that this project was originally scheduled to begin in September, however, it was delayed by the state for budgetary reasons. During construction, cars will only be allowed to travel one way westbound, while eastbound traffic will be detoured along County Line Road to 79th Street to Madison Street. Village staff anticipates that the project will be completed in June.

Residents can call the Road Program Hotline at (630) 654-8181, option 8 for weekly updates on the progress that has occurred, as well as information about what to expect in the coming weeks. At the end of the recorded message, residents who have questions or concerns about the project may leave a message and a member of the Village Staff will return your call.

#### **Sprinkling Restrictions Begin May 15**



Beginning May 15, sprinkling north of 83rd Street may occur Monday, Thursday and Saturday from 12 AM to 12 PM and 6 PM to 12 AM. Sprinkling south of 83rd Street may occur Tuesday, Friday and Sunday during the same hours. No lawn sprinkling is permitted on

Wednesdays or any day between Noon and 6 PM. Restrictions are in effect and will be enforced until September 15.

#### **Know the Code**

Keep Weeds Under Control: Anyone who owns a vacant lot in the Village is reminded to be a good neighbor by keeping weeds out and grass cut. Per Village Code, staff will send a certified letter notifying the owner of weed problems or grass that exceeds 6 inches in height, constituting a nuisance. After 7 days, if the nuisance has not been addressed, the Village will send a local service to cut the grass and the property owner will be billed.